

Postsecondary Education NEWS FROM FRANKFORT

News Update From the Council on Postsecondary Education

Council to consider enrollment and degree targets, new KYVU plan

The Council on Postsecondary Education will meet at 2 pm, Sunday, September 17 at the Cincinnati Airport Marriott in Hebron, Kentucky. The Council will consider 2020 enrollment and degree production targets for Kentucky's public postsecondary institutions and review a new three-year strategic plan for the Kentucky Virtual University. The Council also will hear updates on new educational technology initiatives, student transfer, and fall 2006 preliminary enrollments. To view the Council meeting agenda, visit the Council Web site.

National report card highlights Kentucky postsecondary reform

Kentucky reported long-term gains in three of five categories of postsecondary education performance, according to Measuring Up 2006: The National Report Card on Higher Education. The report, released earlier this month by the National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education, assesses the performance of the nation and all 50 states in five key areas: college preparation, college participation, college affordability, college completion, and benefits to the state. Kentucky posted significant improvements in the categories of preparation, participation, and benefits to the state since the early 1990s. For a complete copy of the report, visit the 2006 Measuring Up Web site.

Internet2 connects Frankfort students to National Constitution Day Event

Students from Second Street Elementary School in Frankfort joined students from 42 schools across the country to participate in a National Constitution Day videoconference event sponsored by MAGPI and the National Constitution Center. Called "America Reads the Constitution," the event used high-quality videoconferencing technology made available through Internet2. Led by postsecondary education and working with industry and government, Internet2 is a nationwide research and education network that develops and deploys advanced network applications and technologies for research and education. The Council is one of several sponsors of Internet2 in Kentucky. For more information, visit the Internet2 Kentucky Web site.

Kentucky Adult Education appoints new statewide advisory committee

Sarah Hindman Hawker, vice president of Kentucky Adult Education, has appointed a new statewide KYAE advisory committee to help identify issues of concern to adult educators and advise the agency on solutions and policy directions. The committee will include 17 members representing 34 counties and the Kentucky Association for Adult and Continuing Education. The group met with KYAE staff September 8 to discuss program support needs, P-16 Council involvement, potential legislative issues, and professional development requirements. To view committee membership, visit the KYAE Web site.

GoHigherKY.org highlighted at summer workshop

Over 80 representatives from Kentucky's public and independent postsecondary institutions convened in Versailles last month to learn about GoHigherKY. org, Kentucky's one-stop college planning Web site. Launched in 2004 by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority in partnership with the Council, the site hosts over 29,000 student accounts and continues to grow. Workshop attendees learned about the upcoming integration of Individual Learning Plans on GoHigherKy.org that will be used by Kentucky middle and high school students to track and plan coursework. High school counselors and adult educators discussed how they used the site as an advising tool with their students. For more information, visit GoHigherKy.org.



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RECENT NEWS RELEASES

Kentucky college and university enrollment climbs for 9th straight year

GED is focus of McDonald's promotion in 32 counties

Kentucky ACT scores move up for 4th consecutive year

<u>Postsecondary education</u> <u>chief Tom Layzell to retire</u> in 2007

UPCOMING EVENTS

CPE Meeting
September 17, 2006, 2 p.m.
Ballrooms V & VI
Cincinnati Airport Marriott
Hebron, KY

2006 Governor's
Conference on
Postsecondary Education
Trusteeship
September 17-18, 2006
4 p.m.
Cincinnati Airport Marriott
Hebron, KY

Statewide P-16 Council September 20, 2006, 9 a.m. State Board Room Capitol Plaza Tower Frankfort, KY

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